

UNIVERSITY FACULTY SENATE

DIGEST OF SPECIAL MEETING

OCTOBER 25, 1971

CONVENED: 4:05 PM

ROUTINE PROCEEDINGS: Adoption of the Agenda as distributed.  
Senate President suggested a routine for  
discussion of committee report.

BILLS INTRODUCED:

S. 56 - (Committee) Recommendations regarding  
changes in Bachelor of Arts in the College of  
Arts and Science and establishment of Bachelor  
of Arts in Liberal Studies. Full consideration  
at next special meeting on November 8.

MEETING ADJOURNED: 5:25 PM.

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October 18, 1971

MEMORANDUM

TO: All Members; University Faculty Senate

FROM: D. E. Ingersoll *DEI/dpe*  
Vice President, University Faculty Senate

SUBJECT: Recommendation from the Committee on Undergraduate Studies

Attached is the recommendation concerning the B.A. degree in the College of Arts & Sciences. It was unanimously approved by the Senate Committee on Undergraduate Studies and will be the subject of the Special Meeting of the Senate on Monday, October 25.

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The following minor changes or additions were, however, included in the committee report:

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Respectfully submitted,

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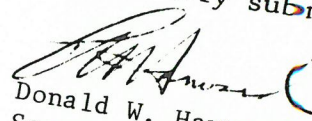
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